

House File 484

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1 Amend House File 484 as follows:

2 1. Page 2, line 7, after <transport> by inserting <or store
3 treated>

4 2. Page 2, after line 18 by inserting:

5 <4A. The city councils described in this section shall honor
6 all existing water purchase arrangements with the cities and
7 rural water districts which are purchasing water from the water
8 utility prior to the effective date of this Act.>

9 3. Page 2, after line 24 by inserting:

10 <Sec. _____. REGIONAL WATER PRODUCTION UTILITY STUDY
11 COMMITTEE.

12 1. A regional water production utility study committee
13 shall be convened on or before May 1, 2017, to begin
14 discussions regarding the potential for creating a regional
15 water production utility.

16 2. a. The committee shall be comprised of the following
17 members:

18 (1) The mayor of each city that is a member of a waste water
19 reclamation authority.

20 (2) The city manager or city administrator of each city that
21 is a member of a waste water reclamation authority.

22 (3) The general manager of each rural water district that,
23 as of the effective date of this Act, purchases bulk water from
24 water utilities impacted by the Act.

25 (4) The mayor and city manager of a city, if the city's
26 sanitary sewer district is a member of a waste water
27 reclamation authority.

28 b. For the purposes of this subsection, "waste water
29 reclamation authority" shall refer to a waste water reclamation
30 authority that is located in a federally designated standard
31 metropolitan statistical area that has a population greater
32 than five hundred thousand, as shown by the most recent federal
33 decennial census, and that is located entirely within the
34 state.

35 3. An executive committee consisting of one member from each

1 city serving on the study committee with a population in excess
2 of thirty-nine thousand, as determined by the most recent
3 federal decennial census, shall be responsible for developing
4 recommendations on the governance structure and operations of
5 a regional water production utility for consideration by the
6 study committee.

7 4. The study committee shall use all good faith efforts to
8 agree on the governance structure and operation of a potential
9 regional water production utility by December 31, 2017.

10 5. If a city council described in this Act determines that
11 a rate increase is required after the effective date of this
12 Act but before a regional water production utility has been
13 formed and is operating, any such rate increase which is not
14 the same percentage increase for all cities and rural water
15 districts with purchase arrangements shall be calculated by the
16 executive committee prior to presentation to the city council
17 for approval.

18 6. The executive committee of the study committee shall
19 submit a report to the general assembly and the legislative
20 council by January 15, 2018, regarding the status of agreeing
21 to a governance structure and the operation of a potential
22 regional water production utility.

23 7. If a regional water production utility has not been
24 established by the cities described in this Act prior to
25 January 1, 2019, the water production assets of the water
26 utility shall revert to the water utility governance and
27 operation structure in existence prior to the effective date
28 of this Act.>

29 4. By renumbering, redesignating, and correcting internal
30 references as necessary.

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